to those on the present route of Dhanbad;

(d) if so, what are the circumstances under which Government could not make the track and other requirements on Patna route similar to those on the present route of Dhanbad considering the importance of the State Capital of Bihar; and

(e) by when Government propose to divert 101/102 Rajdhani Express via Patna?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir. However, the information regarding the total number of representations made in this regard is not available.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Besides the conditions of track and other facilities, it is not desirable to divert the high speed popular inter-metropolitan service of 101/102 Rajdhani Express by a longer route. Patna is linked with Delhi and Howrah by other fast services.

(d) Lack of adequate resources.

(e) Does not arise.

Statutory Central consultative Committee of Telephone users

1321. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Telecommunication Board has received a representation from Bombay Telephone Users Association for setting up a Statutory Central Consultative Committee of Telephone users specifying its functions mainly among others to evaluate the development of telecommunications and the quality of service being rendered to users; and

(b) if so, what is Government's response to the above proposal and by when is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A decision in the matter would be taken after examining the proposal in details.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Need to instal the idol of Adi Shankaracharya in the Sanskrit University being set up in Kerala

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now, we shall take up Special Mentions. Shri D. C. Prashant.

SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT (Jammu and Kashmir): Madam, Deputy Chairman, the Government of India is establishing a Sanskrit University in Kerala. This is the second Sanskrit University in the country. The first one is Sampurnanand University, Varanasi. Some months back, I had enquired from the then Chief Minister, Mr. K. Karunakaran about the programme of the university. He told me that they have given spacious land for the university and money also. The Government of Kerala has done a very good job to establish the Sanskrit University in Kerala which is the birth-place of Adi Shankaracharya. Shankaracharya was a great scholar. He was not only a great scholar, but great, great scholar. During these 1200 years our country has not produced a scholar equivalent to Adi Shankaracharya. This university will not only help Kerala but the entire South to spread the learnings and teachings of Sanskrit. Madam, I want that this University should be named after Adi Shankaracharya and a life-size statue should be installed in the university like Kolhapur University where a life-size statue of Shivaji has been installed.